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SUBJECT: ACCESSION TO 1972 COLREGS CONVENTION

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1. AS REQUESTED BY REFTEL, EMBOFF INQUIRED AT THE ROKG MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MOFA) AS TO THE STATUS OF ROKG ACCESSION TO THE 1972 COLREGS CONVENTION. ACCORDING TO BAE, PYUNG-SEUNG, CHIEF, TREATIES DIVISION, MOFA, THE ROKG DEFINITELY PLANS TO ACCEDE TO THE 1972 COLREGS AND IT IS PURELY A MATTER OF THE TIME REQUIRED FOR INTERNAL ROKG PROCEDURES. THE QUESTION OF WHICH PROCEDURES ARE REQUIRED IS UNDER REVIEW. IT IS POSSIBLE THIS MATTER WILL NECESSITATE ACTION BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY. THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY'S NEXT REGULAR SESSION DOES NOT OPEN UNTIL SEPTEMBER 1977, ALTHOUGH THERE IS SOME POSSIBILITY OF A SPECIAL SESSION SOMETIME THIS SUMMER. MOFA IS PRESENTLY CONSULTING WITH OTHER CONCERNED ROKG MINISTRIES TO DETERMINE WHETHER A LESS FORMAL PROCEDURE CAN BE USED.

2. EMBOFF POINTED OUT THAT THE USG SHARES THE EXPRESSED CONCERN OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF IMCO THAT THE PARTICIPATING STATES FORMALLY RATIFY THE COLREGS BY JULY 15 OR AS PROMPTLY THEREAFTER AS POSSIBLE. BAE RESPONDED THAT MOFA WILL TAKE
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NOTE OF THAT CONCERN AND TRY TO FIND SOME WAY TO EXPEDITE INTERNAL ROKG PROCEDURES. HE WAS UNABLE TO ESTIMATE WHEN THE ROKG MIGHT BE ABLE TO COMPLETE THESE PROCEDURES, BUT PROMISED TO KEEP THE EMBASSY INFORMED. WE WILL REPORT FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS AS APPROPRIATE.
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